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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1904.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

New Department at Smiley's.

We have added to our many
stocks, a full line of

INFANTS' WEAR

This includes long and short dresses,
long and short skirts, blankets,
long and short cloaks, bonnets,
socks, etc.

The prices and styles of these goods
are sure to be right. They are
made by one of New York's
most reliable manufacturers.

Call and look over our large stock,
and tell your friends. Glad to
show goods even if you do not
purchase.

Here are just a few articles to give
you an idea of prices.

Infants' Long Dresses.

Great variety of styles from 25 cents
up.

ONE LOT of good cotton, yoke of
embroidery, hamburger ruffle on
neck, yoke and sleeves, hemmed
skirt, 75 cents

ONE LOT of fine cotton, lace and
tucking yoke, lace and inser-
tion at neck and sleeves, wide
hemmed skirt, \$1.50

Infants' Short Dresses.

These are in a variety of styles and
prices from 25 cents up.

ONE LOT of good muslin, pretty
yoke of embroidery, tucks and
hemstitching, finishing braid
and lace at neck, wide hemmed
skirt, 75 cents

ONE LOT of fine muslin, yoke of
lace, insertion and tucks, lace
trimmed capes, flounce skirt,
\$1.98

Infants' Short Cloaks.

ONE LOT of cashmere, wide em-
broided collar, skirt embroid-
ered, lined and interlined, \$1.75

ONE LOT of bedford cord, large
collar trimmed with braid and
embroidery, braid on cuffs,
sateen lined, \$2.98

Infants' Long Cloaks.

ONE LOT of cream cashmere, large
collar trimmed with soutache
braid and embroidery, embroid-
ered skirt, \$1.50

ONE LOT of heavy bedford cord,
sateen lined, large double col-
lar and cuffs trimmed with silk
braid, \$2.98

Flannel Blankets.

These handy little embroidered
blankets come in several dif-
ferent grades.

ONE LOT of cream flannel, 27
inches square, silk stitched em-
broided corners, wide hem,
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Others at \$.50, \$1.00, \$1.25.

Infants' Bonnets.

These come in a great variety of
styles, in cotton and silk,
prices from \$.19 to \$1.25.

Be sure to visit this new department

Thomas Smiley

Telephone 112-2.
NORWAY, MAINE.

THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Miss Frances Carter spent Sun-
day in Lewiston.

Miss Ethel L. Allen of West
Bethel was in town Friday.

Mrs. L. T. Barker and Miss
Addie Gordon were in Portland
yesterday.

Mrs. E. L. Arno and daughter
Hazel spent Sunday with relatives
in Lewiston.

Every time you help to improve
your town you help your own busi-
ness just that much.

Mrs. S. W. True is visiting her
daughter, Mrs. Gehring and will
remain for an indefinite time.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Tues-
day May 3, and the members are
reminded that this is the annual
meeting.

Mr. Charles Farwell was in
Lewiston Saturday to see his wife
who is receiving treatment in the
Maine Central Hospital.

Miss Annie Yates who is attend-
ing the Grammar school spent
Sunday with her parents Mr. and
Mrs. S. M. Yates, Milan, N. H.

Letters for the following are ad-
vertised at the postoffice:

Mr. Alister DeLang.

Bert Morrill.

Mrs. Alice Newton.

The annual meeting for the
election of officers of the Bethel
Library Association will be held at
the Library building on Monday
evening May 2 at 7.30 o'clock. A
full attendance is desired. Please
extend this notice and don't fail
to come yourself.

Mrs. B. L. Bryant of Bangor has
a very interesting story in the
National Magazine for April into
which she has woven the character-
istics of her father the late Na-
thaniel T. Truie, under the title of
"The Beloved Teacher."

Rev. L. A. White of Lewiston,
who has been with the people of
West Bethel for the past six
months, closed his labors with the
Union church last Sunday. Mr.
White was very much liked, and
gained many friends during his
stay in the place. The pulpit will
be occupied through the summer
by Rev. C. N. Gleason and Rev. A. D.
Colson. (beginning next Sunday),
May 1, with Rev. Mr. Gleason.

Mrs. William Rogers Chapman
arrived in Bethel from Portland
last Friday afternoon, and spent
Friday night and Saturday with
her daughter Miss Nellie Bishop
Chapman, at Mr. Edward A.
Capen's, returning to Portland on
the afternoon train, Saturday.
She returns to Bethel again on the
15th of May, at which time she ex-
pects to be in town for two or three
days.

Dr. and Mrs. Gehring sailed
upon the Saxonia, April 26th from
Boston. The journey they have
planned will be off the beaten track
and be a cross country journey
from Chester going over to Corn-
wall and Devonshire to see an
English spring in its perfection,
then up north through the Cathed-
ral towns taking in London; still
further north into Scotland seeing
Edinburgh and the Lakes. But
for Mrs. Gehring's illness the jour-
ney would have included the
Netherlands. They expect to be
in Bethel by the middle of June
ready to welcome back the mem-
bers of their large household.

W. S. Wight returned home
from his long winter's work last
Saturday for the last five weeks
he has been teaching a large class
in Richmond, and closed with a
successful concert last Friday even-
ing. During January and February
he was on Deer Isle, with
large classes numbering two hun-
dred singers in all. Deer Isle is
twelve miles long with five thou-
sand inhabitants. Mr. Wight
while on the island walked 150
miles to and from his different
classes. From October 10th to
December 15th he had choruses in
Somerset county, making in all
five hundred singers he has had in
the different towns. Mr. Wight
will have a short vacation and
rest now with his little daughter
Marie.

One by one the men are coming,
One by one the women, too;
Do not fear, we'll have our special,
When we go to old "St. Lou."

Mrs. Eva J. Fox is spending a
few weeks in Portland.

Ina Kenney of Portland spent
last week with her parents on Elm
street.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Clark and
son of Saco are spending a week in
town.

Mr. and Mrs. Garey have begun
housekeeping in their new home
on Main street.

Mr. Harry Mason was at home
Monday, returning to Portland on
the afternoon train.

Mr. Arthur Watson of Randolph,
N. H. was a guest of friends in the
village over Sunday.

Mr. Harry Jordan is preparing
his cottage on the Annis farm for
occupancy during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dudley
spent a few days last week in
Newry with her grandparents.

D. M. Kimball of Bethel, started
for California on one of the Grand
Trunk excursion tickets last Mon-
day.

Mr. W. B. Baker was confined to
the bed three days last week with
grip at J. F. Coolidge's on Church
street.

Mr. Arthur Stowell will soon
open the store owned by Dana
Phillbrook where he will sell and
repair bicycles.

Miss Mabel Richardson was called
to Havelston last Saturday to
attend the funeral of her grand-
mother, Mrs. Tolman.

Mr. Erlon Dutton and family
have moved from Clark street to
Mrs. Roxanna Bean's rent on the
corner of Mechanic and Railroad
streets.

Dr. G. L. Sturdivant returned
home Monday from New York
where he has been taking a post
graduate course for the past two
months.

Messrs Edmund and Irving
Clark who came home from New
York to attend the funeral of their
uncle, Moses Mason, returned the
first of the week.

Mrs. Perley Andrews who has
been ill of grip for the past two
weeks is able to be about again
and attending to her duties at the
store of E. E. Burnham.

O. E. Sawtelle arrived Sunday
night, called here by the illness of
his daughter, Mrs. J. F. Coolidge
who is still confined to her bed
from the effects of the grip.

The annual convention of Ox-
ford county W. C. T. U. will meet
in So. Paris, May 17-18. Mrs. Callie
Howe, national organizer will be
present. Mrs. Howe is a very suc-
cessful organizer and an interest-
ing speaker.

Mrs. Edgar Coolidge of Kimball
Hill, near East Bethel, died of
pneumonia last Monday. Mrs.
Coolidge was the daughter of
Austin Powers of Newry, and was
but 24 years of age. She leaves
four children.

Some corporations are not en-
tirely soulless. It will be re-
membered that a few weeks ago
the new house of Frank W. Barker
on Vernon street, was badly dam-
aged by fire. He was so unfortu-
nate as not to have any insurance
on it. His furniture was insured
in his older house near, from
which he moved, but Mr. Barker
neglected to notify the company in-
suring it (The German American
of New York) or its agents, W. J.
Wheeler & Co. of South Paris, of
the change and the insurance,
never having been transferred, at
the time of the fire he had no in-
surance on his household goods.
Agent Wheeler called the atten-
tion of the company to the situa-
tion and last week, its adjusting
agent, Mr. Philip F. Turner, of
Portland, was in town, and after
learning all the facts, allowed Mr.
Barker his full amount of the dam-
age done to the furniture, etc., the
same as though the insurance had
been made over to cover in his
new house. Mr. Barker is natu-
rally much pleased with the con-
sideration shown him, and the
amount thus unexpectedly receiv-
ed will be of great help to him in
re-establishing his house.

E. H. Pratt of Oxford spent Sun-
day in Bethel.

S. I. French has been confined to
his bed for several days as the re-
sult of an accident last week.

"The Dignity of Human Nature"
is the theme of the sermon for
Sunday May 3 at the Universalist
Church. All are cordially invited.

One cannot afford to miss the
illustrated lecture on California by
Prof. J. R. Bartruff at the Uni-
versalist church Tuesday evening
May 3. Nearly one hundred beau-
tiful scenic and historical views.

We will take it all back. The
Grand Trunk has canceled its
former World's fair rate and is-
sued a new one, making the price
from Bethel \$26.00 instead of
\$25.85. We'll go just the same,
and at the advertised price, too, so
never mind.

A meeting of the citizens of
Middle Intervale will be held
at the office of H. H. Hastings on
Saturday, April 30 at 2.00 p. m. to
consider the proposition of con-
structing a telephone line from
Bethel village, through Middle
Intervale to join the East Bethel
telephone line. All interested are
requested to be present.

One of our prosperous farmers,
Mr. Eli Barker, will doubtless
turn his attention to the raising of
stock rather than poultry. The
setting of three hens produced one
chick. He has, however, been
more successful in other directions
as his stock has been increased by a
litter of fifteen pigs and a colt.
Mr. Barker believes in the very
best quality of stock.

The News has taken up the
matter of night operator at the
station with the Grand Trunk
officials and the superintendent of
the road was here investigating
the situation yesterday. We have
no question but that when the
matter is duly considered we shall
get our operator. Let us hope so
at any rate.

It will bring sadness to many
to learn of the death of Rev. S. S.
York who was Oxford county's mis-
sionary. Mr. York was well-
known to many Bethel people who
will cherish his memory as one
who labored most faithfully and
counted no sacrifice too great if
only a message of helpfulness and
love could be carried to needy
ones. Truly a good man has ob-
tained an "abundant entrance."

Edwin LaF. Harvey, Bowdoin,
brings another honor to Bethel
in so ably assisting Bowdoin in
winning in the Bowdoin-Amherst
debate last Friday night. It will
be remembered that this is the
third debate between these schools
and the first time that Bowdoin
has been successful. She is feeling
pretty happy this time, however,
as the decision was unanimous in
her favor. Mr. Harvey certainly
did his full share in winning the
victory; he is considered the
strongest debater in the college
and is a young man of whom
Bethel may well be proud.

I. O. O. F. Annual Address.
Quite a number of Odd Fellows
and Rebekahs assembled at
I. O. O. F. Hall, Sunday and
participated in the annual memorial
address.

The church was beautifully de-
corated with evergreens and potted
plants, and a handsome arch of
evergreen bearing "I. O. O. F.,
F. L. T." in gilt stood before the
altar. From this arch was sus-
pended the three links of the order
also in gilt. Special music was
rendered by the large and excel-
lent choir, and a solo by Miss Jane
Howard Gibson satisfied all.

The pastor, Rev. Mr. Colson,
spoke very interestingly and in-
structively on the origin and bene-
fits of the order and of Mt. Abram
Lodge in particular. It was a
grand sermon and much credit is
due Mr. Colson for the labor and
thought expended in preparing
such an address.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS.

	Votes
Harry Purington, Bethel,	5544
Lyman Wheeler, Bethel,	3882
Gotthard Carlson, Bethel,	3806
Miss Ethel Allen, West Bethel,	2579

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this
column at eight cents per line, reckoning six
words to the line.

Constantly new Stocks, Collar-
ettes and Berthas at E. E. Burn-
ham's, the Emporium for Neck-
wear.

Just received. Something pretty
in shirt waist sets and buttons.
L. M. STEARNS.

Belts! yes Belts! Every costume
requires a belt and E. E. Burnham
has just what you want. Belts
from 10c to 50c.

The man who advertises once
and then pronounces advertising a
failure; is like the Indian who
tried to sleep on a single feather
and then pronounced a feather bed a
failure.

E. E. Burnham is having a run
on 50c Girdle Corsets.

New belts and fancy neckwear
at L. M. Stearns'.

Hats at E. E. Burnham's from
15c to \$15.00.

An unusually good variety of
Maybaskets may be found at L. C.
Hall's. All prices.

Luce Hosiery for ladies and
misses at E. E. Burnham's; two
pair for 25c to 50c per pair.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Moses A. Mason, whose
death occurred Apr. 19, was a son
of Col. Aaron and Ruby (Bartlett)
Mason and was born Apr. 8, 1826,
and consequently had just passed
his 78th birthday.

He was the fifth in a family of
twelve children and his six
brothers and one sister had already
preceded him to the spirit world
he having lived to be older than
any other member of the family.

His grandfather, Moses Mason,
a soldier in the Revolutionary
Army, came to Bethel then Sud-
bury Canada, in 1799 as one of the
pioneer settlers, and selected the
broad, rich intervale land on the
north side of the Androscoggin,
and now opposite Bethel Hill.
There grew to manhood and
womanhood a large family to
people this new country with
sturdy, enterprising and industri-
ous citizens, whose descendants are
still among the worthiest in town.

Col. Aaron Mason succeeded his
father, and at his decease in 1855
Moses A. was the one of his seven
sons upon whom fell the responsi-
bility of making the place still a
home not only to his widowed
mother, but to his younger brothers
and sisters. These duties he ful-
filled with rare fidelity and gener-
osity.

He brought to the farm work
vigorous strength and energy, and
modern ideas and improvements
were soon everywhere visible.

During the days when the raising
of hops was a highly remunerative
business, in this vicinity, he en-
gaged largely in that; and with in-
telligent foresight he invested in
timber lands and other real estate.
He had the ability to discern what
methods and investments would
prove profitable, and his judg-
ment and counsel was often sought
by others.

His mother passed away in 1872,
after which he induced his widow-
ed sister, Mrs. Clark, to come from
her western home with her family
of four little children, and with
their presence brighten the deso-
lated home.

With him the children never
missed the thoughtful, loving care
of a father, and neither did they
fail to appreciate the goodness
which envied them, and their
love and respect seemed only to
increase as with mature years they
could understand what he had
been to them, and the real excel-
lencies of his mind and heart.

In 1894, Mr. Mason sold the
old homestead to the late Mr.
Charles Ryerson, and with his sis-
ter, a niece and a nephew made an
extended tour through the western
States, spending two months in So-
attle with some thought of locating
there. But not finding business
conditions just what he expected,
he returned to Bethel and pur-
chased the pleasant home at the
head of Mill street where, in com-
parative leisure, he passed the re-
mainder of his life.

M. B. CHAPMAN.

Watches.

A good Watch is a necessity
now a days and at the prices I
am selling them for there is no
reason for going without or
using an unreliable one.
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have ever shown.

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WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Round Trip Tickets from Bethel
and all stations between Port-
land and Gilead, will be sold
between the dates

April 30 and December 1, as follows:

15 Day Tickets,	\$26.00
30 Day Tickets,	\$31.95
Season Tickets,	\$38.30

The 30 Day Tickets are good for 60
days for Bethel people.

Notice.

We the undersigned, merchants
of Bethel, agree with each other to
close our places of business at six
o'clock p. m. Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Thursday of each week, com-
mencing May 3, 1904.

Ceylon Rowe,	C. K. Fox,
R. E. L. Farwell,	N. F. Brown,
G. P. Bean,	C. Bisbee Estate,
C. A. Lucas,	W. C. Bryant,
E. H. Young,	J. U. Purington,
Hastings Bros.,	Ira C. Jordan,
L. C. Hall,	Edwin C. Rowe,
E. E. Burnham,	L. M. Stearns,
	3wd49

Notice.

Owing to a mistaken impression
which seems to have gained cre-
dence I wish to announce to the
public that the rates at Prospect
Inn are \$2.00 per day American
plan. Our rates to transient
guests have not within a year past
been in excess of the amount
stated above.

Yours truly,

CHARLES H. GATES

Manager.

Prospect Inn, Bethel, Maine,
April 25, 1904. 3wd49

Paint Your Buggy for 75c.
to \$1.00 with Devco's Glos-
Carriage Paint. It weighs 3 to 8 ozs.
more to the pint than others, wears
longer and gives a gloss equal to
new work. Sold by G. R. Wiley

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Attorney-at-Law,
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A. W. GROVER,
Pension Attorney,
28 Main St., BETHEL, MAINE.
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Stranger people from every part of the
world will greet you.

Canada is there with a beautiful
pavilion to welcome you and make you
feel at home.

Write to the undersigned for descriptive
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reduced rates, etc.

See that your tickets read via GRAND
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City Ticket Office, 137 St. James St.
Montreal, or Bonaventure Station.
Telephones, Main 460 and 461.

WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS APR. 30-
DEC. 1, 1904.

King Cotton, a statue in cotton 50 feet
high.
Largest Gas Engine ever built 3,000
horse-power.

Time Table in Effect Oct. 4, 1903.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave...	1:45	8:30
Gorham,	4:00	3:20
Gilead,	4:25	3:38
West Bethel,	4:38	3:41
BETHEL, arrive,	4:45	3:50
Lookes Mills,		9:00
Bryant Pond,	5:05	9:05
South Paris,	5:30	9:30
Lewiston,	6:40	10:30
Portland, arrive,	7:30	11:15
Boston, via rail,	12:45	4:10
Boston, via boat,		3:00

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	8:15	1:30
Lewiston,	9:00	2:20
South Paris,	10:00	3:38
Bryant Pond,	10:28	4:15
Lookes Mills,	10:35	4:18
BETHEL, arrive,	10:46	4:32
West Bethel,	10:54	4:42
Gilead,	11:05	4:54
Gorham,	11:30	5:20
Island Pond,	1:30	7:50
Montreal,	7:30	7:30
Toronto,	7:15	4:50
Chicago,	8:45	7:20

The train leaving Bethel at 4:45 A. M.,
East and 9:37 P. M., West, runs every
day; all others every day except Sunday.
Sunday paper train leaves Portland at
7:30 A. M., arriving at Bethel 10:12 A. M.,
and at Bethel, 12:15 P. M. Returning
leaves Bethel at 4:00 P. M., Bethel, 5:05
P. M.

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Until April 30th, 1904.

Colonist Fares from Bethel to
Vancouver, San Francisco, Los
Angeles, Seattle, Portland,
and Tacoma, \$51.25

Spokane, Nelson, Rossland, \$48.75

Leadville, Butte, Salt Lake
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THE WEB OF FATE

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By BYRON DOWLING

CHAPTER X.
THE BIVOUAC AND THE DETROIT.

That same evening there was a military display of a very different nature, in a secluded valley on the bank of the Broad River. It was a lovely spot, shaded by tall oaks, and beneath the gnarled roots of one monarch of the forest bubbled a tiny spring, the source of a murmuring rivulet. The air was still, for the birds had ceased their even-song, and nature seemed to have retired to rest.

The tramp of horses was heard, and soon a band of mounted men came into the valley, where they made immediate preparations to encamp. The horses, stripped of their saddles, were fettered with green withes, and permitted to graze on the fresh turf. Rifles, with the equipments slung on them, were leaned against the trees, and protected from the night-dew by the saddle-blankets. And now the riders, drawing forth their provisions from well-packed saddle-bags, began to eat their frugal meal, with a rich seasoning of jovial mirth. They were the "Sharpshooters," on their return from the successful foray projected by Danforth, who had secured a supply of arms and ammunition, pricelessly in those days.

"Ah, Danforth," said an old hunter, "how neatly you did take that Britisher in. We Georgians are some, but it takes you Yankees to do the clean thing."

"It was rather a sell, I admit, to make the old fellow take down our names and our address, before he gave us the rifles. Little did he think that they would be first used to pick off those of his stamp."

"Beautiful!" said one.
"Capital!" exclaimed another, and loud were the expressions of delight. When they had subsided, Danforth rose, and clapping his hands to secure attention, called for "Corporal Lanman."

"Present!" replied the individual thus designated, who had a round, confiding countenance, a clear blue eye, and a erratic auburn hair, which radiated in all directions, like that upon the head of an electrical toy when the spark is applied.

"Lanman," said Danforth, "we are all much indebted to you, and to your vagrant love of fishing, for had you not engaged the attention of the old ordnance officer at the arsenal, with your marvelous stories about angling, I fear he would have suspected something."

Now one good turn deserves another, and as you are as good with your voice as you are with the rod, you must sing us a song."

A loud cheer greeted this decision, and Vincent, a jolly miller, came and sat near the singer, that he might not lose a word. Taking off his cap, and passing his hand through his hair several times, Lanman sang, in a clear, full voice:

"Raisé, raise you banner high, my boys,
In Nature's temple green;
'Tis freedom's signal seen, my boys,
'Tis freedom's signal seen.
White lilies float from Gallic bowers,
Blue pennons stud the sea;
The red cross flares from England's towers,
But the starry flag for me.

"Beneath its ample starry folds
All patriot hearts will meet,
And proudly will it flaunt the sky
Above our foe's defeat.
Then rally, rally round our flag,
Though youthful it may be;
It leads to battle sturdy arms,
And hearts that will be free."

Loud cheers followed the termination of this ballad, and heartily was the starry banner pledged by this hardy band, whose bronzed countenances showed that they were qualified to encounter the brunt of warfare, while they now gave themselves up to unrestrained mirth. It is around the bivouac fire that we can realize the assertion, that the spirit of a soldier's life can impart chivalrous enthusiasm to the dustiest hearts. Men whose thoughts would otherwise have been circumscribed within their own corn field, now listened with excitement to tales of Washington, and "old Put," and the "Swamp Fox," as their own Marion was familiarly termed. There was no restraint—no formality. Officers and privates drank, sang and smoked together; and the Yankee smokers of Danforth were given with such joviality that no one would have imagined that an anxious, care-worn heart throbbed beneath his hunting-shirt.

The tramp of horses' feet brought all hilarity to a close. Every one sprang up, and many ran to their rifles, when one of their own videttes came riding in.

"What news?" exclaimed Danforth, ere he had fairly checked his horse.
"Some one is coming, and I think it is a soldier, for I heard something like the jingle of accoutrements."

"Only one?"

"I am sure of it. Ha! you can hear him."

"First platoon, stand to your pieces. Take arms! Sergeant, deploy forward into the road, and close in behind this

fellow, while we stop him," commanded Danforth, in a clear, decisive tone. Then, seizing a rifle himself, he beckoned to a few, who had previously taken their rifles, to join him, and placed them across the road. On came the solitary horseman, urging his steed, and ere he was aware of it, he found himself remanded.

"Whoop!" he shouted. "Tread at last!" It was Sergeant Jones, who had been left at the camp. His face, as seen by the light of a pine torch brought from the fire, was haggard, and his horse was covered with foam and dust. He had evidently ridden far and fast. A score of questioners collected around him, but ere he could satisfy them, Danforth's clear voice rang out above the rest:

"Sergeant Jones, you will give your horse to those around you, and come this way, to report to me." The authoritative tone in which this was uttered, with the imperative expression of Danforth's countenance, told plainly that the Yankee, in addition to his crafty cunning, was one of those who held a mastery over others. Drawing apart from the rest with the new comer, he stopped when there was no danger of being overheard, and asked, in a determined tone:

"Why have you left your post?"
"Because there's treason there, and you'll fall into the trap."

"Treason!" exclaimed Danforth, in astonishment. Then, as if recovering his perfect impassibility, he questioned his informant. "And who is the traitor?"

"The very one of all who hadn't ought to do so."

"Not Major Loudon?"
"You've hit the mark straight."

"Heavens!" cried Danforth, a small red spot mantling upon his pale cheek, while an expression of the most intense anxiety contracted his brow. "Can it be possible? No, no! You are—you must be mistaken."

"I wish I was; but the truth sticks out too plain. I tried right hard to stave it off, but 'twas no use."

"Speak, then—tell me what you have seen. Whence do your suspicions arise?"

Stripping the backwoodsman's tale of his peculiar expressions, and avoiding his repetitions, it ran thus: Ever prejudiced against foreigners, he had felt an aversion to Major Loudon before his arrival; but his frank manners at first dissipated it. His old prejudice returned, however, when he learned from a scout that before coming to the camp the major had watched Adjutant Lydston during an interview with Miss Maxwell, near Danforth's house. Listening, with the backwoodsman, is an unpardonable crime; but the two concluded that their commander was in love with Aurora, as other good men had been before him. Such was probably the case, and from revelations made to him under the seal of secrecy, the sergeant had become convinced that—probably actuated by jealousy—Major Loudon was the would-be assassin. Many proofs sustained this terrible suspicion, but the most convincing was a stain of blood upon the right ruffled waistband of the shirt he wore. But this was not all. He had left the camp, desiring to be guided to the vicinity of Danforth's house. There he dismissed his guide in such a confused manner that the man followed him (although a fresh recruit from Alabama), and saw, so clearly that there could be no mistake, that he went to a rendezvous with a British officer. Returning to Mrs. Danforth's, she sent a negro girl on horseback towards the "Stronghold," and thus ascertained that it was garisoned by a troop of dragoons. "So," concluded Sergeant Jones, "unable to stay in camp with such a murdering traitor, I thought it best to clear out, and ride forward to hurry up your cakes. If you are spy to-morrow, you may get there before our imported major surrenders up the whole on 'em, concern his mean spirit. And that's all my piece."

There are times when certain thoughts hang like a pall over everything, enveloping our brightest thoughts in death-like shadow. So it was now with Danforth. An hour before, exulting in the success of his expedition, he had looked forward with joyful hope to a meeting with Rupert Loudon. Experienced as he was in the ways of the world, he felt the necessity of a military education for the commander of a body of troops, and had looked up to the young soldier as one whom the "Sharpshooters" could follow to victory. But if these reports were true, not only was he false, but who could be trusted?

"Can there be no mistake in all this?" he inquired, with an expression of melancholy earnestness, for his stout heart quailed.

"Mistake, Mr. Danforth? I wish 'twas a mistake. Why, I'd break my rifle and kill my best 'coon dog, to have it a mistake. But it's too true a bill, as the grand juror says."

"Stay a moment, then, for I need time for thought. Ah, how right was Washington in saying, 'Let none but Americans be put on guard!' Yet there are many of foreign birth who are as true as steel!" Then, silently and sadly, Danforth weighed all the circumstances, tempering them with many a dreary apprehension.

"There's one thing in the fellow's favor," all at once exclaimed Jones. "That is?" hastily inquired Danforth, in a tone that showed how anxious he was to dissipate the unaccountable suspicions against Rupert Loudon.

"Why, he carries a little testament in his pocket, and goes into the bushes to read it."

"That's not the practice of a villain," replied Danforth, whose thoughts now began to react. He did not doubt the sincerity of his informant, but the more he thought, the more he became convinced that the hunter was at heart prompted by the instinctive enmity with which back-

woodsmen naturally regard the educated portion of their fellow-citizens. Meanwhile, revelry reigned around the camp-fires, where song and story followed in rapid succession, with impetuous joy. All at once a shout of "Danforth! Danforth!" which echoed through the forest.

"They're calling you," said Jones. "Yes, and I will join them. First, tell me one thing. Do you think the force at the Stronghold will move towards the camp to-night?"

"No," replied Jones, after a moment's hesitation. "Even if that youngster is false, they will not dare venture into the woods at night. But to-morrow—"

"To-morrow we will be there to welcome them. Now, for the sake of the good cause, be silent."

"Close as a rifle-man," answered the sergeant, as the two moved towards the camp-fire.

The leader was received with loud applause, for the success of his exploit had won him the confidence of his command. Passing through the throng, he came to the side of the fire, every muscle of his face animated by conflicting emotion.

"Sharpshooters!" said he, in a clear voice, "born or reared in the forests, free as air, you have found yourselves a prey to foreign tyrants. Hessians have been poured over the water to enslave you, but freedom had a shrine in every heart, and you turned out like men to drive back your would-be oppressors. While some, discouraged by the defeat of Gates, sank into inactivity or joined the Tories, you volunteered to make one struggle more. Well, you had no arms, or arms not exactly the thing for fighting—"

"We have them now!" roared a stern-toned voice, and then rang out three hearty cheers in obedience to his call of "three cheers for the quartermaster."

"No," continued Danforth, "three cheers for the tory captain who gave the order, and the tory colonel who gave up the guns."

When these had died away, he continued, and as he spoke, all had gathered compactly around the expiring fire, which cast a ruddy glow upon his features.

"Well, you were 'listed into King George's service, and each man received a rifle, a pouch and flask, a knapsack and a canteen. What for? Don't interrupt me, but cheer when I'm done, if you wish to. Now I received something else, and as we must move early to-morrow, and as we must see some red-coats to-morrow, I will read a portion of it now. Listen. Lord Cornwallis, who has command of all the Tories in the South, gives us, in the name of his kind, fair warning. Here we learn that, 'All inhabitants of these provinces, who will not turn out, shall be imprisoned, and their whole property taken from them and destroyed.' Ponder over that, you who have homes and wives. You, who have now a resting-place by fighting nature, and now are told that they must fight your brothers, or be despoiled of all. Yet that is not all. Every mother's son or you has been regularly mustered in at Augusta, so you know what to expect. Now for it: 'Every man who has enlisted in any way in his majesty's service, and afterwards joined the enemy, or gives him aid, shall be hanged.'"

A murmur of indignation greeted the conclusion of this tyrannical edict, but its bitter waters appeared to nerve the patriots, instead of quenching the sacred fires of liberty.

"If we are to die," continued Danforth, looking proudly around at the determined countenances, "let us then die like soldiers, rather than be hung up like dogs."

Those nearest the speaker rushed to tender him their hands, that they might thus ratify his desires with the arms so ready to strike for liberty. After a few moments, silence was restored.

"Now, boys," said Danforth, "as some have asked for my song, I will give you a little of it as a night-cap, for you must be moving early. Let me tell you, though, that the song, like the singer, is transplanted from Yankee-land—perhaps, though, it's none the worse for that." Then, in a deep, full voice, he sang:

"Come, gallant 'Sharpshooters, from your mountains down,
With leggings of deer-skin, and hunting-shirts brown,
With otter-skin caps, and new moccasins, come
To the gathering summons of trumpet and drum.

"Come down with your rifles—let gray wolf and fox
Howl in the shade of their dens in the rocks;
Let the bear feed securely from pigpen and stall,
Here's two-legged game for your powder and ball.

"And what seek the Tories? The pride of our wealth
Is comfort, contentment, and 'labor, and health,
And lands which, as freemen, we only have trod,
Independent of all, save the mercies of God.

"But they cannot have it! The clearings we till,
Our wives and our homes, we'll guard from all ill;
Leave our corn crop to rot on the field where it grows,
And the reaping of wheat for the reaping of foes.

"From deep Tallulah's wild waters to where
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"There you have my version," said Danforth, when the prolonged cheering had been hushed. "When we've won our liberties, go to New England and hear the real song. And now, let all look to their horses, then see to the priming of their rifles, and then go to sleep. We must take an early start, for I hear from Sergeant Jones that a company of red-coats are prowling about old Maxwell's, so that they may come to meet us."

A few clustered about Jones, but he was not disposed to be at all communicative. Gradually the men laid down, wrapped in the blankets which they carried under their saddles, with the earth for their couch and the clear blue sky for a canopy. Vigilant guards were on duty, and Danforth moved nervously about, his comfort disturbed by doubts respecting Rupert Loudon, even as clouds obscured the face of the moon.

Day had not dawned, when the trumpet sounded a reveille, making the surrounding forest echo with its bold music. The horses were first cared for, saddles were carefully girthed, rifles freshly primed, and soon, while the morning star yet flickered, the Sharpshooters started, in martial array. The gray mists of night hung up on the tops of the tallest pines, when they started, but ere they had ridden far, it rolled away in sullen majesty to the westward, while the east became radiant with the glory of newborn day. Danforth, as if impressed with the responsibility of his situation, was indefatigable in his exertions to keep the men ready for any emergency. When entering any defile, he headed the column, while at other times he kept on the flank, closing up the ranks. Excepting the words of command, no sound escaped his lips, but many noticed the energetic tone of his voice, and the determined expression of his countenance, as he would exclaim: "Forward, forward! Keep well together!"

Halting occasionally as they passed a water-place, they kept on, and as the shadows began to fall towards the east, they approached the scene of the encampment. Sergeant Jones was now sent forward to reconnoitre, and the horses were allowed to breathe, while their riders partook of such refreshment as they had with them.

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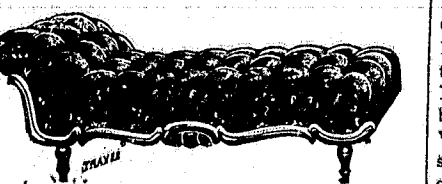
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Judge Marcus Kavanagh of the Superior Court, used to be colonel of the Seventh Regiment the famous Irish regiment of the Illinois National Guard. So strict was the rule of admission to the regiment that before a man was placed on the muster roll he was obliged to prove his nationality. This proof was secured by sending the candidate, in charge of a corporal's guard to the wind-swept corner of the Masonic Temple. He was also given a pipe full of tobacco and a single match. If standing at the corner, he was able to light his pipe with the one match he was adjudged worthy of admission to the regiment. During the Spanish-American war Col. Kavanagh took his regiment into camp yearning for active service. There was a private in the regiment named Casey. Casey was, in a way, the butt of the regiment. He was always getting into trouble and his native Irish wit was always getting him out again.

The regiment wanted to do some fighting and its members chafed against the confinement and strict discipline of camp life. All sorts of excuses were presented by members who wanted to slip back to Chicago for a few days. Col. Kavanagh got to be sadly cynical.

One day Private Casey managed to slip by the sentinel in front of Col. Kavanagh's tent and presented himself before his commanding officer, with his right hand at salute.

"Colonel," said Casey.

"Casey," said the colonel.

"Me wife is lyin' at th' point av death in Chicago," said Casey, rubbing his eyes with his coat sleeve.

"I'm after askin' you to leave me have four days' leave av absence."

Col. Kavanagh looked at Casey and Casey looked at the colonel. There was that in Casey's eyes which seemed to belie his tears. The colonel put his right hand into the inside pocket of his coat. He pulled out a sheaf of letters.

"Your wife's illness must have been sudden," Casey, said the colonel. "I got a letter from her only this morning saying that the only peace and quiet she had since she married you was since you've been down here in camp."

"Colonel," burst out Casey, the tears vanishing from his eyes, "may I speak to ye as man to man?"

"You may, Casey."

"Not as a private spakin' to his commandin' officer?"

"As Mike Casey speaking to Marcus Kavanagh."

"No guardhouse, no matter what I say?"

"Say what you please, Casey."

"Will, thin, colonel, there's the two biggest liars in th' camp under your tint roof this minute. I'm not married at all, be gob."—Chicago Tribune.

When in Need of a Bite.
London Hotels Have Tables Heaped with Food.
In the dining-room of nearly every hotel in London one finds a round table filled with cold fowl, cold ham, roast beef, tongue and mutton, cold lobster, and salmon, with mayonnaise and many "chaudroids" so mashed with jelly and so attractively garnished that one knows before tasting that they must be good.

WHEN IN NEED OF A BITE.

At breakfast and lunch time, and even when in need of a bite before going to bed, the true Englishman makes a tour of inspection around this table in order to select the particular palate tickler of his own fancy. But the usual breakfast of the ordinary mortal is tea, toast, muffins, or very hard cold rolls, with eggs or bacon—and the inevitable jam.

This jam is always obtainable at any English table, and it is of many varieties, orange, plum, or strawberry predominating. When the unspoiled American comes along, however, he is served with boiled coffee, warmed-over rolls, ice water, and all the different kinds of jam at once. He swallows this, with eggs or bacon, and then he wonders why his digestion doesn't digest.

The boiled egg is the true test of patriotism. The Englishman eats his in the proper manner, of course; he sets it up in a tiny cup, breaks the end, adds a dash of salt, and proceeds to absorb it most daintily with a tiny spoon. But the American asks for two, and he wants them broken into a glass tumbler or goblet, and he then chomps them furiously, adding salt, pepper and butter until they are thoroughly mixed into a delicious mess which tastes better than it looks.

Beresford as a Boy.
Like many other boys who have risen to eminence, Lord Charles Beresford was the despair of both his parents and teachers. On his thirteenth birthday the choice of a calling was put before young Beresford by his father asking him whether he would enter the army or the navy or take up orders. "Well," he concluded, "what is it to be?"

"The navy," was Beresford's immediate reply.

"And why the navy, boy?" pursued the father.

"I'd like to be an admiral, like Nelson."

"Tshaw! Like Nelson! Why Nelson?"

"Because I want to."

"But even if you were to join the navy, why do you think you will ever become an admiral?"

"Because I mean to," was the curt and emphatic reply.—Tit-Bits.

A Loyal Haytian General.
Some years ago a Haytian general wrote to a Paris optician to supply him with a glass eye. The optician, flattered himself that a successful eye would secure for him a Haytian decoration, devoted his utmost intelligence to the production of a splendid glass optic. Six months elapsed; a small box reached him from Hayti. A cross glittered in his imagination, but, to his horror, within folds of cotton was his original eye, accompanied by the following note: "Sir—The eye you forwarded to me is of a tint that resembles that of the Spanish flag, and I am too patriotic to wear any but the color of my country." The optician proceeded at once to the admiralty, there ascertained the colors of the Haytian flag, and then manufactured a scarlet and green eye, which he forwarded.—Tit-Bits.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1904.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

South Berwick is having an epidemic of measles. It is reported that in one school all but four pupils out of 35 are down with the disease.

Col. Stevens, superintendent of public buildings, says that there will be no extensive changes made at the State house this year. Only such repairs as are absolutely needed will be made, so that the outlook is for a quiet summer in the building line there.

Millinocket has been stricken with an epidemic of typhoid fever. Already there have been 200 cases, but the new patients are becoming fewer in number. The officials found it necessary to convert the Mt. View House into a hospital, which now accommodates seventeen patients. It is said the epidemic originated from the water supply.

David F. Murdoch, a prominent business man, was arrested in Portland, by Federal authorities last week, charged with having received stolen postage stamps to the value of \$500. The government charges the stamps were received from the men held in connection with the Southwest Harbor Postoffice robbery, and against whom a dozen Postoffice robberies in Maine and New Hampshire are charged.

The examination for the Cecil Rhodes scholarships took place in the judiciary committee room in the State House at Augusta on Wednesday and Thursday and was conducted by Frank H. Whitmore, assistant librarian of Bowdoin College. The candidates present were as follows: David R. Porter of Bangor, Bowdoin '06; Leon V. Walker of Oxford, Bowdoin '03; Clement F. Robinson of Brunswick, Bowdoin '03; John M. Bridgton of Dexter, Bowdoin '04; Edwin F. Bearce of Auburn, University of Maine '05.

RUMFORD POINT.

W. B. Kipper of Peru was in town Thursday buying veals.

Mrs. Jane Kimball has returned from a two months' visit to friends in Stoneham, Mass.

The ferry boat was put in the river here April 14, and last year on March 18.

Charles Andrews of Andover is painting the Congregational church.

W. W. Wooster went to Bethel recently.

F. G. Eames and wife went to Newry Tuesday, April 19 to attend the funeral of Miss Miranda Eames.

John Philbrook of Bethel was in town last week and bought five steers of M. A. Elliott.

K. E. Knight and family went to Andover, Sunday April 17.

Walter Stearns has gone to Rumford Center to learn the carpenter trade of C. R. Abbott.

L. D. Elliott bought a fine pair of horses at Norway last week.

To Mothers in This Town.

Children who are delicate, feverish and cross will get immediate relief from Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. They cleanse the stomach, act on the liver, making a sickly child strong and healthy. A certain cure for worms. Sold by all druggists, 25c. Sample Free. Address, Allen S. Olmstead, 1200 N. Y.

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BRYANT POND.

Mr. Sidney Littlefield of North Abington, Mass., visited his mother, Mrs. Anna Littlefield, who is seriously ill, last week.

The village primary school began, last Monday, under the instruction of Miss Stevens.

Mrs. George Hilborn and daughter were in town recently.

Miss Grace Noyes has gone to Portland to work.

A. M. Chase was on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin have gone to New York to superintend a milk farm.

Mrs. Scott Merrill returned from Lewiston last Saturday.

Smelt fishing is in order.

J. F. Reed and Mr. McKenney were at D. D. Peverley's Monday night.

Good for Children.

The pleasant, to take and harmless One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief in all cases of Cough, Croup and LaGrippe because it does not pass immediately into the stomach, but takes effect right at the seat of the trouble. It draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes and cures permanently by enabling the lungs to contribute pure life-giving and life-sustaining oxygen to the blood and tissues. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take and it is good alike for young and old. Sold by G. B. Wiley.

NORTHWEST BETHEL.

Mrs. Amanda Walker is to spend some weeks visiting friends and relatives in Auburn and Gardiner.

Miss Addie L. Horr began school in this district the 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flint and son Henry were at this place last Sunday.

Len Sumner has gone to work on the Androscoggin river.

Leslie Carleton and wife are at Mr. and Mrs. John Carleton's.

Geo. Leighton has built camps on Chapman landing preparatory to "rolling in" the large amount of timber landed there the past winter.

Wm. Jewell of Gorham was here last week on business.

Robert Bennett has bought a span of large horses.

Fred Chapman was up from Bethel Monday with a load of pressed hay for E. S. Mason.

Resolutions.

Headquarters Brown Post, No. 84, Department of Maine G. A. R., April 21, 1904.

Again are we reminded how fast our ranks are growing less. In the death of Comrade J. O. Swan we lose a loyal member of our Post of Co. F. 8th Me. Vols. Inf. We shall miss him at our meetings and Memorial exercises. Therefore

Resolved: That while he will no more answer to our roll-call or give the countersign at our Post meetings, we do not think of him as lost, but rather as having been called to cross the river and join the ranks of his comrades who on the other side are marching to the front.

Resolved: That these resolutions be spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the Bethel News for publication.

J. H. BARROWS, Committee.
A. S. CHAPMAN, on.
H. C. BARKER, Resolutions.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mr. Ephraim Wight of Gilead, is in town today visiting friends.

Miss P. M. Buxton is at her home in Bethel after a winter's stay in Ward Hill, Mass.

The Federation will meet with the Ladies' Church Aid at the Methodist church Thursday at 3 p. m.

Miss Alice Billings who has been confined to her home for the past six weeks by illness, has recovered sufficiently to be out of doors.

Mrs. G. L. Sturdivant and daughter arrived home from Brunswick, today, where they have been during Dr. Sturdivant's absence in New York.

A nine and one-half pound daughter arrived at the home of Prof. and Mrs. F. E. Hanscom Tuesday morning. Mother and child are doing nicely.

Miss Ruby Smith returned to her school in Locke Mills Monday. Miss Smith has taught there several terms, and is giving excellent satisfaction.

Mrs. Hills is at Miss Burnham's to-day, and will be there this evening. On May 4, she will be there at eight a. m. and remain for the day.

News has been received of the death of Thos. P. R. Cartland who was well known to many Bethel people. Mr. Cartland died and was buried at sea while on a trip from New York to Mexico city where he had extensive banking interests.

Ed A. Fothergill of Berlin, who is well-known in town, having married a Miss Farwell of West Bethel, was seriously, it is feared fatally, injured Monday, by the explosion of the boiler of the shunting engine which he was running in Berlin.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Bethel Village Improvement Association will be held at Gould's Academy, Tuesday evening, May 3, at 7.30 o'clock, for the purpose of electing all necessary officers for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

All members of the Association and others interested in the improvement of our village are earnestly requested to be present.

Per order
The Secretary.

Oxford County Teachers' Association.

The Oxford County Teachers' Association will be held at Oxford on May 13 and 14. Among the speakers are Dr. A. E. Winship of Boston and Supr. W. W. Statson. An interesting program has been arranged and a profitable meeting is anticipated.

Oxford being a mill town in which many complete families are employed it is not possible to secure free entertainment but reduced rates have been secured at the hotels and no pains will be spared to make the meeting a profitable one.

"I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets with most satisfactory results," says Mrs. F. L. Phelps, Houston, Texas. For indigestion, biliousness and constipation these tablets are most excellent." Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

News' Excursion

TO THE

St. Louis Exposition AND NIAGARA FALLS

Several will go as Guests of Honor and at our Expense, Others at Rock Bottom Prices.

The News proposes to conduct an Excursion to the St. Louis Exposition early in the summer, to accommodate such young people from this section as desire to attend that Exposition, which will be the greatest exposition that the world has ever seen or will be likely to see for many years to come. We have heard many young people express a desire to go to St. Louis, which fact has prompted the arrangement for this Excursion, not as a money-making scheme, but in order to secure to all the advantage of such excursion rates as may be obtainable. The editor, Mr. E. C. Bowler, who will personally conduct the party, will visit the Exposition during the month of May at which time he will secure the lowest possible rates for the party which he will take a few weeks later. And now as to

Those Who Are To Go Free.

Yes, several of this party will go absolutely free as far as necessary expenses are concerned. We shall pay their railroad fares, Pullman service, hotel bills and fares into the Exposition, so that their only expense will be what they may choose to spend. Just who these fortunate ones will be, will be determined by a

VOTING CONTEST

Not a voting contest like most voting contests in which one wins and all the others lose, but a contest in which all who work win.

In all contests some one has to be second, another third and so on; each of these may have worked just as hard as the first, but they get no reward. Notice the different St. Louis Contests running in the papers at the present time. In many cases there are scores in the fight, but in all cases, one will go and all the others will be disappointed.

OUR PLAN.

Ours will be a Voting Contest just the same as the others, but will differ in the respect that each and every person who gets 16,000 votes will go at our expense. There is no limit as to field. People in the County or outside the County may enter. Any desiring to go under this proposition should enter their names at once before their friends have pledged their support to some one else. Votes will be counted according to the following schedule:

SCHEDULE FOR COUNTING.

- | | Votes. |
|--|--------|
| 1. Each paper will contain a Coupon which when properly filled out and returned to us will count..... | 1 |
| 2. Each dollar paid on new subscriptions will count..... | 100 |
| 3. Each dollar paid on renewals by present subscribers will count..... | 40 |
| 4. Each dollar paid on arrears by present subscribers will count..... | 25 |
| 5. Each dollar paid on new advertising secured by the contestants or their friends will count..... | 50 |
| 6. Each dollar for new advertising secured by such written contract as shall be acceptable to us will count..... | 25 |
| 7. Each dollar paid for job printing will count..... | 25 |

CONDITIONS.

Contestants must note these conditions carefully as they must be observed to the letter.

1. Votes once credited to one contestant cannot be withdrawn and given to another.
2. Subscriptions discontinued and begun again during the contest will be credited at the renewal rate, even though they may have come in under another name in the same family.
3. If a subscriber is in arrears and pays up to date and one or more years in advance, the amount to date will be received as arrearage and the balance as a renewal, as per schedule for counting.
4. Credit on advertising must be for space actually secured by contestants and does not apply in any way to our present advertising. Any increased business which may be secured from our present advertisers will be counted, but no credit will be allowed on money paid for regular space now carried. Should any of our regular advertisers discontinue their advertising and begin again during the life of the contest, such will not be considered new business and no credit will be allowed.
5. The same applies to job printing as to advertising. All must be new work. No credit will be given on any work already secured by the office.
6. The standing of each contestant will be published each week.
7. The Contest will close about June 20. The exact date will be given later. The Excursion will be as soon after the closing date as possible.

Bethel News St. Louis Coupon.

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Portland, Maine.

Mention this Paper.

An Indian Creation Myth.

The Diegueno (Mission Indian) has no surmise concerning the creation of the earth. To him it is a primeval fact. Earth and sky existed in the beginning of things, but not as now, illumined by sun, moon and stars, informed with purpose, and active with life. In the beginning all was shapeless, dark, inert, a chaos full of untold potencies. The Sky-Power, brooding mystery, rested upon the receptive earth. Out of chaos came a voice, a song, ending in a long-drawn sigh, signifying accomplishment, rest at the end of achievement. Again, voice, song and sigh; and with each act of the First-Cause, an effect; the Earth-Mother, Sin-yo-hauch, the mysterious name, brought forth to the Sky-Power a god, Tu-chai-pa, the best, the first-born, and then Yo-ko-matis, the lesser, the brother. Then old Tu-chai-pa, with the assistance of his brother, create man to inhabit the earth, and the man, moon and stars to give light; first of all appearing from its primal prostrate state the sky to be the arch of the heavens as we see it now above the heads.

The spirituality of this conception of creation, together with certain points of resemblance to the Hebrew story of Genesis, dignifies the Diegueno account and places it in a class by itself among the Indian myths.

Aunt Jemima's Sayings.

Jew's en fine clothes is all mighty well in dey way, but dey ain't never yit took de place iv luv en sympathy. Some small buds jes' stay small buds long ez dey lives; mighty few of 'em busts intuh de puffball flower. Hits jes bout ez baid fuh some men tuh give alms on de sly ez tis fuh some actrissis tuh git a private divo'ce.

Parrits ain't de onties' folk whar talks a heap en say little. De man dat's on de corn-stan ram-page arter happiness is sho tuh fin' somebody allers git'in in his way. Hits funny tuh see how peart a man's eyesight kin git jes' by lookin' tuh his neighbor's bizness.

Offentimes I've seen de timidides 'oman fall in luv wid de owdclousness' man.

Ef you owes yo' chile anything hits tuh mek him happy. A rotten apple 'll fall 'thout shakin' in de tree.

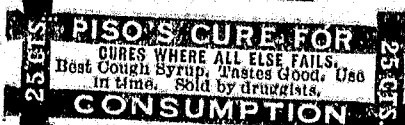
Hits de 'oman uv yo' own age dat'll be de fust tuh disciver yo' gray hairs 'en yo' crowd's feet.—Richmond News-Leader.

A Breathing and Walking History of France.

There exists in Paris a famous professor, Pere Tibble, who, to describe him in his own words, is an "engraver upon human skin." He lives in the Greville quarter. As a kind of permanent advertisement he exhibits his left arm, on which are "engraved" in order all the presidents of the republic from Thiers to Loubet. On the professor's body, it is stated, is to be found the whole history of France—portraits of Charlemagne, Henri IV, Joan of Arc, Louis XIV, Robespierre, Napoleon, Gambetta and others, with escutcheons, fasces, flag trophies and similar ornaments galore.—Tit-Bits.

"Radium Syrup."

A practical joke, now common among Parisians, is to go into a drug store and ask for three cents worth of radium. At first the chemists took it good-humoredly, but later it has become quite a nuisance. One chemist in the Rue de Rivoli has just hit upon a way of getting even with the would-be jokers. He has made up a concoction which he calls "radium syrup," and when the practical joker arrives gravely hands out a small quantity, charging an extra two cents for the bottle.



Clarence K. Fox, Bethel, Me.

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THE ST. LOUIS FAIR.

President Roosevelt Will Press The Button April 30.

St. Louis, Mo., April 19.—The official programme for the opening ceremonies of the World's Fair on April 30 have been announced at a meeting of the committee on ceremonies. It is as follows:

At 9 a. m., the board of directors of the World's Fair, the members of the national commission, the board of lady managers will meet in the office of President Francis at the administration building where President Francis will receive the special gavel.

At 9.30 a. m., the entire party will be escorted to the Louisiana Purchase monument where they will be joined by the foreign commissioners, who will assemble earlier at the British pavilion, and the governors of the States and State commissions and committees, who will first assemble at the United States building. Secretary William Taft, as there representative of President Roosevelt, will be escorted to the World's Fair grounds by a military guard. The committees from the United States Senate and the House of Representatives will have escorts provided, who will meet them at their respective hotels.

At 10.30 a. m., President Francis will call the assemblage to order and the invocation will be made by Rev. Frank W. Gonsaulus of Chicago. An address by President Francis will follow.

William H. Thompson, chairman of the committee on grounds and buildings, will present Isaac S. Taylor, director of works. The latter will deliver the keys of the several exhibit palaces to President Francis.

The transfer of the exhibit palaces to F. J. V. Skiff, director of exhibits, will then be made. Mr. Skiff will deliver an address.

There will be an address by Thomas Carter, president of the national commission, and addresses by a senator and a representative in behalf of the congressional committees. The speakers will be selected by the committees which they will represent.

Address on behalf of domestic exhibitors, E. H. Harriman, president of New York State commission.

Address by William H. Taft, secretary of war.

At the conclusion of Secretary Taft's address, President Roosevelt will press an electric button in the east room of the White House at Washington, D. C., which will start all the machinery of the World's Fair in motion.

The Pike will be formally opened at 3 p. m., immediately after a "parade of all nations," in which all the strange peoples of the Pike attractions will take part.

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Yearnings.

BY PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR.

Just a little cradle in a wagon passin' by,
But it sort o' hurts me in my feelin'; wonder why?
We ain't had no children, Mandy Jane an' me that's sure,
Tho' we've often wished the Stock would linger at our door;
Kind o' looked an' waited till the years had passed away,
An' her brown locks an' my black ones both had turned to gray.
Went on just believin' that our dreams 'ud all come true,
Kep' so busy hopin' th' warn't time for feelin' blue.
'Tain't no doubt, it's lonesome settin' round a grim ol' house,
Jest us two ol' people, evenin's, quiet as a mouse:
Seems like that a feller'd like to have a couple boys, Strompin' round the kitchen an' a-makin' lots o' noise;
With a pair o' girls a-chattin' in their foolish way, Gigglin', waitin' for their comp'ny, prinkin' up; an' say—
Some folks worry at it, but it kind o' seems to me That's the sort o' life our Maker meant this life to be.
When yomr courtin's done an' over, where's your youth to go,
When their ain't no children round you keepin' life aglow?
Tho' the fire o' love have smoldered, embers heat the ash,
When you ketch your boy's eyes darlin' love's first lightin'-flash,
Say you're old an' gettin' doty, why, the sight'll start Jest a reg'lar dauntin' measure in your dim ol' heart,
An' you feel that life is sweeter when you see love's fire.
Puttin' fears an' keers an' doubtin's on a fun'ral pyre.
Jest a little cradle in a wagon passin' by,
Yet it brings the teardrops an' a long-reggittin' sigh:
Just a little cradle—my, I wonder who it's fur?
Mighty happy father, him, an' happy mother, her,
Wish'em all the blessin's that I'd ask fur far myself,
Tho, the Lord has laid me kind o' useless on the shelf;
Hope they'll live the 'lotted time o' hearty ol' three score,
Hope they'll fill that cradle up a dozen times or more.
—The Twentieth Century Home.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
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Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes. The kidneys are your blood purifiers; they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

WIT AND WISDOM.

"I've been thinking of starting in business for myself. I wonder if there's any money in poultry?"
"Oh, yes. My wife found a dime in a chicken's gizzard once."

"Itching hemorrhoids were the plague of my life. Was almost wild. Doan's Ointment cured me quickly and permanently, after doctors had failed." C. F. Cornell, Valley Street, Sargent's, N. Y.

A Portland lady was introduced not long since to a professor in the medical department of Bowdoin College. She thought it might be well to direct her conversation along scientific lines and made an attempt. "Doctor," said she, "don't you think the cause of so much sickness is the want of sozodent in the air?"

The little folks love Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Pleasant to take; perfectly harmless; positive cure for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

Some scientists are much concerned in trying to find out whether or not the planet Mars is inhabited by people. Why need it matter with us whether Mars is peopled or not, when one could not get acquainted with half the people down here in a whole lifetime?

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users.

The dude who thinks he is "some pumpkins" is about correct if it is green pumpkins.

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THE GEISHA GIRLS.

They Attend Social Gatherings, as the Japs Wives and Daughters Do Not Take Part.

George Rust Bedinger, who, after two years of service as instructor in the Imperial University at Tokio, has returned from Japan, full of enthusiasm for the Japanese, explained away the other day to a group of interested listeners in New York a popular Western misconception as to the geisha girls.

These girls are educated and trained public entertainers. Orphans and daughters of poor parents are turned over to the geisha instructors and kept eight or ten years in training.

They learn all the arts that make them charming socially—how to enter a room gracefully, how to arrange flowers in decorative fashion, how to bow, to dance, how to dress with taste, above all how to talk cleverly and agreeably. They are, in fact, the most delightful talkers one can imagine.

When a geisha girl's education is complete she is ready to earn her living as a public entertainer. Many of them, indeed, entertain in a subordinate fashion as aids to the fully educated geisha before they have learned all the arts of the profession, so that many of the geisha girls appear as mere children.

It is necessary that Japan shall have a vast number of geisha girls, because according to the etiquette of Japan, the wives and daughters of Japanese households do not attend social entertainments given by the husbands and fathers. The geisha girls, therefore, are the sole feminine element at such entertainments.

When a Japanese gives a dinner his friends, native or foreign, at public restaurant, a number of regularly hired geisha girls appear clad in lovely garments, smiling, merry and ready with quick repartee whenever host or guest addresses them. Misapprehension as to the character of these girls leads to many offensive remarks by Western persons of Japanese gentlemen. As a matter of fact no Japanese gentleman would think of treating with anything but the utmost politeness a geisha girl with whom he came in contact while enjoying the hospitality of a friend.

Mr. Bedinger was not sure what became of the geisha girls. In the Japanese tongue, he declared, there is no word or phrase to convey our idea of the old maid, because it is taken for granted that a woman of mature years is married. Some of the geisha girls marry, some become geisha trainers, a profession of much importance, and some no doubt end their lives less creditably.

There is no disgrace attaching to the life of the geisha girl, and the best of them live comfortably, and enjoy a high consideration at the hands of their employers. It is undeniable, however, that the geisha trainers do, in effect, buy little girls of poor or vicious parents in order to recruit the ranks of the geisha students.

It is difficult to make the Western mind understand why mothers, wives and daughters do not appear at the entertainments provided by the male members of the household, but such entertainments with geisha girls in attendance have in them nothing necessarily indiscreet.

The absence of wives and daughters implies nothing humiliating to them, and is not to be taken as an evidence that women are misprised in Japan. Notwithstanding the frequency of divorce in Japan, and many evidences of what we should call the subjection of women, the Japanese wife has a powerful voice in family councils.

Summer Ornaments.
With the summer ornaments must be mentioned the chon velvet. This is made by shirring black velvet into a very large and very handsome ornament, as big as, perhaps, a tea plate. It is a chon of black chiffon velvet, all folds, and without loops or ends. It is made from a circular piece of chiffon velvet, which is stirred into an ornament of this size and shape. To the chon are fastened two very long sash ends, which are lined with black silk and which hang very nearly to the hem of the skirt, and are finished with fancy fringe. Or, if preferred, there can be a finish of knife plaited chiffon. Or, the velvet can be finished in a point and a handsome jet ornament hung from the point.

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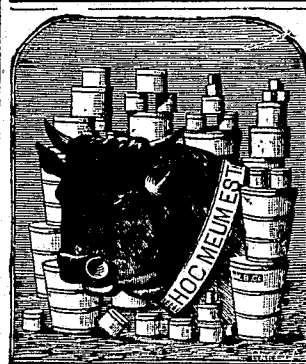
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RUMFORD FALLS.

"We are receiving a lot of the new pay checks, given out by the International Paper company," remarked a Congress street merchant. "I think that by paying in this manner it is more helpful to the workmen's families, for, instead of using the cash before going home, as many used to, they now take home the check, and from there it gets into the merchant's hands for the necessities of life."

"Fifty years ago to-day," says a Rumford Falls man, "we had a fall of fifteen inches of snow in Lincoln, Penobscot county, in this State. I remember the fact distinctly."

Lawyer A. E. Stearns has sold his residence at the corner of Hancock street and Maine avenue to F. E. Goding, the local shoe dealer who will soon occupy the same.

James Keer is to remove the house that occupies the lot where F. P. Bartlett is to build his double tenement house.

William Waterhouse, for the past few months employed by Porter & Thomas at Macy Junction, has accepted a position as bookkeeper for J. H. Keeman.

Ed Hall is to occupy the rooms vacated by G. B. McMennamin, and will have the partition taken down so as to make one store. He will install a large soda fountain.

Mrs. A. L. Stanwood is entertaining her friend, Mrs. Cornish, from out of town.

Carroll P. Howe of Dixfield, was the guest of his brother, Elliott W. Howe, one day last week.

Rev. George B. Hannaford preached in the Methodist church at Bethel last Sunday morning and at Locke Mills in the afternoon.

The supper which was to have been given at the Baptist vestry last Friday evening, is postponed one week on account of bad weather.

W. F. White has the plans and specifications for the new schoolhouse to be built at Rumford Falls practically complete, and the school board will very soon issue a call for bids for the erection of the house which is to be a four room house, and for which a grant of \$8000 was made at the annual town meeting in March.

Miss Myra French who was formerly in the employ of the Maine Publishing company as typewriter, has accepted a position as bookkeeper for Frank Nowell.

C. Wilbur Cary has returned from a business trip to Boston and Providence.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

When you buy a cough medicine for small children you want one in which you can place implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves but cures. You want one that is unquestionably harmless. You want one that is pleasant to take. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all of these conditions. There is nothing so good for the coughs and colds incident to childhood. It is also a certain preventive and cure for croup, and there is no danger whatever from whooping cough when it is given. It has been used in many epidemics of that disease with perfect success.

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MILTON.

Charles Mason of North Lovell has been visiting at William O. Brooks'.

Warren Sessions is visiting his father, Sumner Sessions.

Arthur Stevens was sick last week.

Delbert Cates went to Boston last Wednesday. After a visit in that city, he will go to Vermont to work.

Mable Brooks went to Stoneham Friday to teach school.

William Brooks, Jr. went to Rumford Falls last week.

Alice Lovejoy will teach school on the Gore, where she taught last winter.

Eugene Haynes was sick last week but is better at the present time.

Don Brooks has been sick with a severe cold but is able to be out now.

BERLIN, N. H.

John Farwell has returned after two weeks' vacation to Andover where he is attending school.

Miss Jennie M. Olley, who has been spending her vacation at her home, has returned to this city.

Mrs. F. X. Gagnon, formerly of this city is here on business concerning her property.

E. A. Steady returned from Boston last week.

Joseph Stinefeld is in the New York market purchasing a large stock for his store.

R. J. McLean representing A. Storrs & Bement of Boston was in town recently.

Walter Hottham of Woodsville was the guest of friends in the city over Sunday April 18.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Robinson and son, Forrest, visited relatives in Whitefield recently.

Quite a number from this city attended the K. P. fair in Groveton last week.

Miss Ella Rollins of Hyde Park, Mass., is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. D. Clarke, in this city.

W. C. Lang of West Bethel was registered at the Berlin house Saturday April 17.

Berlin woke up a week ago this Wednesday morning to find itself buried in snow drifts that made the record of the past winter blush. Snow commenced to fall about 11 o'clock Tuesday evening and continued through most of the day Wednesday, it being estimated that twenty inches fell.

Are You a Dyspeptic?

If you are a dyspeptic you owe it to yourself and your friends to get well. Dyspepsia annoys the dyspeptic's friends because his disease sours his disposition as well as his stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will not only cure dyspepsia, indigestion and sour stomach, but this palatable, reconstructive tonic digests and strengthens the whole digestive apparatus, and sweetens the life as well as the stomach. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure the food you eat is enjoyed. It is digested, assimilated and its nutrient properties appropriated by the blood and tissues. Health is the result. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

A Hard Struggle.

It's a hard struggle to fight the battles of life with the heavy burdens of kidney ills. The constantly aching back —

The weariness—Distressing urinary disorders—All yield quickly to

Doan's Kidney Pills, A Modern Medicine for Every Kidney Ill.

Mr. T. H. Hughes, of Saxtons River, Vt., employed by L. F. Locke & Co., says: "My kidneys did not act properly for years, and it gradually grew on me. For two or three years they troubled me very much with a dull, aching pain across my back and in my loins. I stood on my feet for any length of time, I felt the pain across my back more and my legs became numb. The pain in my back got so bad that I could stand it no longer, I put on plaster, and I used a great many of them, but they only afforded me temporary relief. I also used medicines of all kinds, but they did not reach the cause. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised, and so well recommended, that I was induced to give them a trial, and I got them at Andrew's drug store. They gave me immediate relief. After the treatment I seldom felt any symptoms of my former troubles, but when I did I took a few of Doan's Kidney Pills and it soon left me. My rheumatic pains were not so severe, and I did not have that tired, languid feeling. I had more energy in doing my work and give all the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills. They did me a great deal of good, and I feel justified in recommending them to others as a good and reliable medicine." Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all druggists, 50 cents per box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

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Better Index to Character Than the Face.

"If you want to read a girl's character, do not look to see it expressed in her face, but in the taste displayed in her room and dress. A girl's room and dress, not her face, reveal her character."

This is what Mrs. John B. Sherwood, for years chairman of the art committee of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs, told the members of the Matheson Club, in Chicago, says the Chicago Tribune. Mrs. Sherwood believes that as a girl's face is not of her own making it is not a safe index to her character.

"But look into a girl's room or observe her dress, and all her characteristics are known to you at a glance—there is no concealing them."

Mrs. Sherwood then proceeded to advise her hearers regarding the proper decorations of the home.

"The most artistic room is not the room that cost a great deal, but the room in which there is simplicity and harmony no matter how cheaply obtained. Simplicity and harmony are the first principles of beauty, and in many cases there is less art in the rooms where a great deal of money has been spent than in the more economically furnished."

Mrs. Sherwood urged that many homes would be more artistic than they are if it were not for the gifts received, which performance must be accepted and for awhile displayed in the parlor. The proper way to proceed when such unwelcome gifts are received was outlined by the speaker as follows:

"Gradually move them from the parlor to the back room, from the back room to a bedroom, from the bedroom to the spare room, and from the spare room to the attic. By the time they reach the attic the donor will have forgotten all about it."

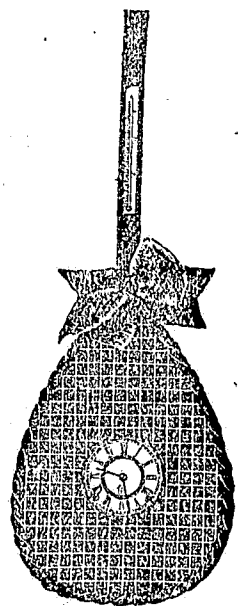
Mrs. Sherwood urged that colors are symbols and outlined a few rules to be followed. "Red," she said, "is symbolic of welcome, hospitality, and love, and should be used on the walls of the reception hall. Blue is symbolic of truth and purity, and it is an excellent color for a girl's room. In fact, most girls choose it of their own accord. Every girl should be allowed to select the color and furnish her own room."

Indian Woman's Bead Work.

I watched an Indian woman doing the native bead work which has become such a fad everywhere. Every time she dipped her needle in the plate of tiny beads a bead slid up the hair-like bit of steel and clung there as if it had been glued into place. Occasionally the needle held twenty or thirty beads, which never came slipping off, as mine had a habit of doing. I asked her why. She looked inscrutable and dipped the needle in a small bottle of water which stood at her elbow. That was the secret; the moistened needle made the beads stick together as well as stay on the needle. I tried it and am now able to do bead work twice as quickly as before.—Good Housekeeping.

For "Her Den."

The following design has proven quite a favorite to the girl with "a den." It serves two purposes, one in reminding her of past "good times," and the other in its more



useful method of keeping the time. There are other designs such as the banjo clock, golf sticks crossed, clock being encased in the bag suspended from the clubs and others which must appeal to the lovers of whatever sports they remind us of.

A Philadelphia Wedding.

"In Philadelphia the other day I saw a new fashion in wedding turn-outs," said the commercial traveler. "What was it? Why, a white carriage, a sort of deep-sea going back. White horses and plumes and white harness? Yes, and a black coachman."

"Judging from the appearance of the folk at the wedding, which was held in a church, they were well to do. There was lots of style, and the whole crowd looked like bluebloods."

"No, I don't know whether it was a private carriage, but unless the man who owned it had a long string of daughters and they were working the leap year prerogative I shouldn't think it would be kept for one family. From the size of the crowd that followed it I concluded it was a novelty, and that some livery stable man was rushing business. But why should white carriages not be used? Isn't white the bride's color? And aren't orange blossoms white? Of course they are. So why shouldn't the carriage be white?"

"Am I sure it was a wedding? Well, they don't throw rice after a bride, do they?"

A GIRL BALLOONIST.

Well Known Society Lady Shows Her Skill in Balloon.

A young lady, well known in New York society, having visited my station with her friends on several occasions, confessed an extraordinary desire to navigate the air-ship.

"You mean that you would have the courage to be taken up in the free balloon, with no one holding its guide-rope?" I asked. "Mademoiselle, I thank you for the confidence."

"Oh, no," she said, "I do not want to be taken up. I want to go up alone and navigate it free as you do."

I think that the simple fact that I consented on conditions that she would take a few lessons in the handling of the motor and machinery speaks eloquently in favor of my own confidence in the "No. 9." She had three such lessons; and then, on a date that will be memorable in the past of dirigible ballooning, rising from my station grounds in the smallest of possible dirigibles, she cried, "Let go, all."

From my station at Neuilly Saint James she guide-roped to Bagatelle. The guide-rope trailing some thirty feet, gave her an altitude and equilibrium that never varied. I will not say that no one ran along beside the dragging guide-rope; but certainly, no one touched it until the termination of the cruise at Bagatelle, when the moment had arrived to pull down the intrepid girl navigator.—"My Airships."

Girls' Reefers.

Jaunty little reefers and short jackets are a pleasing change from the cumbersome long coats and raglans that have been worn during the winter.



They are made of many materials, some lined, others skeleton coats with the seams and hems neatly bound.

The reefer shown here is made of tan Venetian, with cream lace and fancy braid for trimming. The garment is adjusted with shoulder straps, and hangs loosely in box effect. Deep, backward-turning plaits extend from shoulder to hem back and front. They are flatly pressed, but not stitched, and add considerably to the width of the coat at the lower edge.

A fancy collar completes the neck. It is made of white satin trimmed with lace and fancy braid. The collar has points over the shoulder, also back and front. The reefer closes in double-breasted style with crystal buttons, two rows trimming the fronts.

One-piece bishop sleeves fit the arm closely from shoulder to elbow and are quite wide at the lower edge, where the fullness is arranged on flaring cuffs that open at the top. These are made to match the collar.

Reefers in this style are developed in serge, flannel, cashmere, linen or plume. Simple little garments have collar and cuffs of self-fabric prettily braided, while those of wash materials have trimming of all-over embroidery.

To make the reefer for a girl of eight years will require three yards of material twenty-two inches wide, with one-half yard for trimming.

Prayer Books Instead of Bouquets.

Ornamental prayer books of various kinds are the fashion. Those chiefly favored are silver mounted, and a popular design for the backs is a replica of Reynolds' angels' heads. The inside of this diminutive volume shows a return to the fashion of including some illustrations. In this case, they are reproductions of well known pictures.

Several fashionable brides have lately discarded the bouquet entirely and walked up the aisle holding only a beautiful bound prayer book in their hands. These books have appropriate white ivory backs, and the pages are frequently of vellum, illuminated by hand, like the old missals.

Bridesmaids, also, who have not generally attempted to grapple with prayer books in addition to their bouquets, now sometimes carry them. One recent bride gave each of her fair followers a book of which the cover had been exquisitely embroidered by her own clever fingers.

Taploca and Indian Pudding.

Beat 1 egg in your earthen pudding pot. Add to it 2 tablespoons of pearl tapioca (soaked over night), 2 tablespoons of Indian meal, 2 tablespoons of molasses, 2 tablespoons of sugar, salt, ginger and cinnamon to taste, and lastly 1 quart of milk. Bake in a very moderate oven about three hours. Stir two or three times during the baking until it is set like custard, then cover and leave. This we think more delicate than Indian meal pudding and is simpler, as there is no scalding of meal nor butter is needed. It should be light and jelled.

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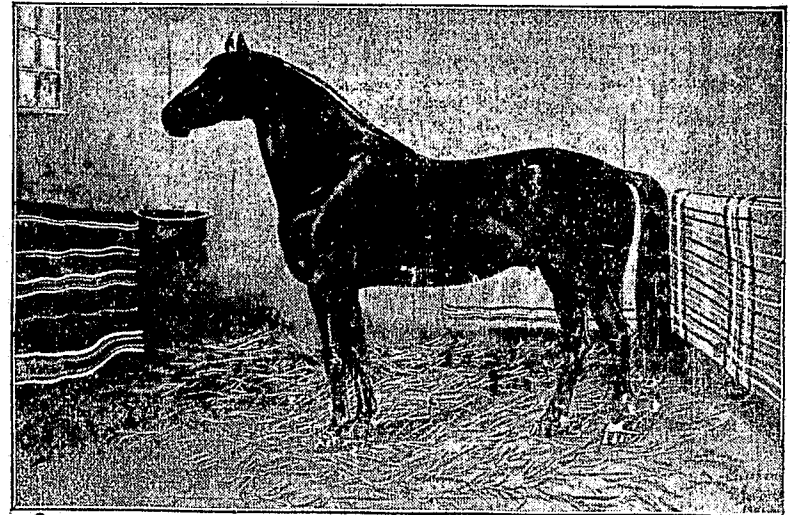
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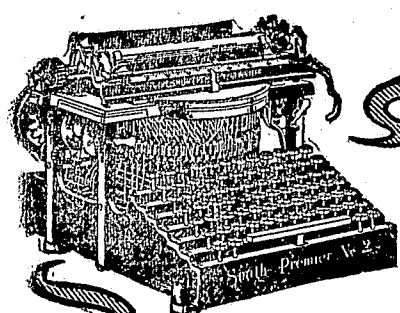
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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of
CHARLES F. LORD, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 19, 1904. Eleonora B. Lord.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of
MELITA W. PINGREE, late of Albany, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
April 19, 1904. Charles F. Pingree.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday, April 19, 1904, the following matter having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:
That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1904, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they cause.

RUELL COFFREN, late of Upton, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof, presented by Hollis I. Abbott, the executor therein named.
ALBION T. BLAKE, late of Bethel, deceased; first and private account presented for allowance by Gilman L. Blake, administrator.

WILLIAM F. HEMMINGWAY, late of Upton, deceased; first account presented by Hollis I. Abbott, administrator.
STEPHEN A. STEPHENS, late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, administrator.

DEBORAH H. NEWHALL, late of Andover, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Ezekiel E. Hutchins, administrator.
FRANCIS M. DREW, Judge of the Androscoggin Probate Court. Acting in Interchange.

A true copy—Attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.
3749

Notice.

I desire to say to the public that I have leased the Prospect Inn stable outright, and will conduct a first-class livery business there in connection with my Mayville stable during the present season. The stable will also be run as a feed stable, and I shall be glad to meet all of my old customers as well as many new ones. Long distance telephone at both stables.
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How many children are at this season feverish and constipated, with bad stomach and headache. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children will always cure. If worms are present they will certainly remove them. At all druggists, 25 cents. Samples mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain,
And, spite of old sorrow and older sinning,
And puzzles forecasted and possible pain,
Take heart with the day and begin again.
—Susan Coolidge.

A JUNGLE FIGHT.

The Charge of Elephants in the Dark Is Awesome.

In the night I was startled from sleep by a crashing in the nearby jungle which sounded as if the trees in Sumatra were being torn up and simultaneously smashed to earth. In the soundless midnight jungle the noise seemed tremendous, as indeed it was, and right at our very ears. It was my first experience with elephants, and I must confess it was nerve trying to lie quiet with that crashing all around and no surety that the elephants might not take a fancy to stalk in upon us, or what minute the fancy might possess them. Nor did it lend peace to the anxiety of the moment to realize that one elephant, much less a herd, is only now and again providentially stopped in his tracks by powder ball; for at the base of the trunk and through the ear are the only instantly vulnerable places to your rifle bullet. To have an elephant break cover immediately beside you is not so serious a matter on hard open ground, where you may have good footing, trees, and it is not impossible to dodge; but in a jungle where you cannot make your way except by constant use of knife, and sink over your ankles in muck at every step, is quite another story, and one full of trouble on occasion.

Needless to say, sleep was impossible while the elephants ripped the jungle into pieces, and it was too black to attempt hunting; so we lay anxiously, not to say fearfully, awaiting developments, given now and then an extra start by the shrill trumpeting of the elephants, which, shortly before daybreak, suddenly moved away, to leave all quiet once again. If anything is more disconcerting than the bugling of elephants in the still of the jungle night, as they inclose you in a crashing circle, I have yet to experience it.—February Outing.

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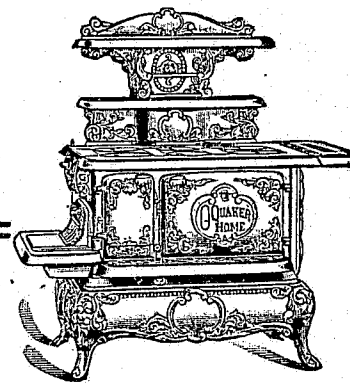
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